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SCHOOL SYSTEM PROBERS NAMED

Trade Board Committees to Take Up Educational Problems.

Six subcommittees to investigate various reorganization and salary problems of the District public school system were appointed last night by President James P. Oyster, of the Washington Board of Trade.

Questions to be studied include proposed plans for a reorganization of the schools; a larger force of teachers and clerks with higher salaries; more new school buildings; appointment of a business manager for the school system and establishment of a teachers' retirement system.

The personnel of the subcommittees follows:

Subcommittee on reorganization—Charles P. Neill, chairman; William L. Peet, Dr. C. N. Chapman, subcommittee on salaries—Frank L. Averill, chairman; Charles F. Lanman, C. Benton Collins, subcommittee on new teachers and clerks—Henry E. Bittinger, chairman; George W. Hodgkins, Henry W. Draper, subcommittee on new buildings—William H. Linkens, chairman; J. A. Chamberlain, J. Clinton Hatt, subcommittee on business manager—Harry S. Welch, chairman; Francis M. Savage, Edward F. Siedam, subcommittee on teachers' retirement law—James T. Lloyd, chairman; Dr. J. S. Arnold, H. H. Gurtoughs.

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FIRE DESTROYS \$15,000 HOME

G. H. Noske's Residence at 5338 Forty-first Street Razed by Flames.

The home of George H. Noske, 5338 Forty-first street northwest, was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. The loss, fully covered by insurance, was placed at \$15,000. Originating in the cellar the flames spread rapidly to upper floors and when fire fighting apparatus arrived the place was a mass of flames.

The adjoining houses, 5336 and 5340, were slightly damaged by smoke and water. The fire is thought to have been caused by hot ashes placed in a trash receptacle.

Members of the family were asleep at the time of the fire, but reached places of safety in the homes of neighbors.

The fire spread so quickly that not a single piece of furniture was saved. The house was practically new.

KEEP TAB ON ALL "LUXURY" TAXES

It Will Save Money When Time Comes to Pay Income Levy.

Everybody should keep account of the taxes he pays on "luxuries." By so doing, one may save himself money when it comes to paying his income tax to Uncle Sam. The so-called luxury taxes are called excess taxes and are levied against musical instruments, sporting goods, chewing gum, candy, and on the finer kinds of clothes, furniture, leather goods and the like.

Are these luxury taxes deductible from the income tax one pays? No, emphatically, NO! That they are is the belief in many quarters. But they are deductible from the amount of income on which one pays. Not only are these taxes deductible, but all taxes paid on city, county, State property and to the nation, are excepted from the income tax.

Now for the saving to the taxpayer. If one buys a \$200 piano, and he pays \$15 additional as taxes, then the purchase has a right to deduct this amount from the income on which he pays.

One also has the right to deduct the extra penny or two he pays on a soft drink and the one cent he pays on a 10-cent soft drink from the amount of income on which he is taxed.

There are certain taxes that must be paid by the purchaser, and cannot be "absorbed" by the seller. This is 10 per cent on rugs and carpets costing more than \$4 a square yard; picture frames costing more than \$10; a trunk costing more than \$50; women's hats costing more than \$5; women's and misses' silk stockings costing more than \$2; and numerous other articles not supposed to be necessities.

It is a good idea to carry a ledger in your pocket, and keep account of the luxury taxes you pay.

BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING NEWS.

A number of officials and social service workers were the guests of Mrs. M. S. Longley, of the medical office at the bureau last week. Among the visitors were Miss Mary Anderson, director of the Women's Bureau, Labor Department, and her coworkers, Miss Ethel Best and Miss Helen Bryan; Miss Mary E. Glass and Miss Ruth Jane Hauke, of the Community Service of the District of Columbia; and Dean Cavanaugh and Miss Ewing, of the National Catholic School.

John Campbell, Section 6, is absent because of a death in the family.

Miss Fannie Tolley, examining division, was called to her home in Montgomery, Md., Saturday, because of the sudden illness of her parents.

Miss Daisy Jones, examiner, is suffering with a sprained ankle received by a fall on the ice.

Capt. Ed. Skinner, assistant yard foreman, is taking orders to supply Christmas turkeys.

William Peck Section 1, is back at his press, after several weeks' absence nursing an injured leg.

Frank Putnam, plumbing shop, was absent during the past week, due to illness.

Gus Redmon, section six, and Arthur Steves, section five, are on leave until after Christmas.

Miss Ella Bronsman, stamp perforating division, is absent on account of a death in her family.

Miss Sophie Dunch, section 6, has been transferred to the numbering division.

Miss Anna Turke, wetting division, is detained at her home on account of illness of her mother.

Miss Margaret Fleming, stamp perforating division, is on the sick list.

Miss Barbara Eubanks, Miss Ella Johns, Miss Margaret Fleming, Miss Anna Shipman and Miss Marie Bricker, stamp perforating division, are ill.

Charles Denton, veteran machinist, was presented with a Christmas remembrance by his shopmates Saturday.

Edwin Pillow, painter, is on the sick list.

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NO HAND-PICKED DELEGATES, CRY

Miller Association Insists On Election for G. O. P. Convention.

"There'll be no 'hand-picked' delegates sent from the District of Columbia to the Republican Presidential nominating convention," the members of the Robert I. Miller Republican Veterans Association held an enthusiastic rally at 720 Thirteenth street, yesterday afternoon.

Members of the organization had heard that an attempt would be made by certain persons to do away with the Republican primaries here and have the nominations of delegates and alternates to the Chicago convention "hand-picked" at a so-called convention of a handful of men. The veteran soldiers and sailors who comprise the association voiced their indignation and declared they would enter a strong protest with the Republican National Committee.

"Such a proposition would be adding insult to injury," declared one of the speakers, "and we are deprived of our right to vote already, and to take from us our quadrennial privilege of balloting for delegates to the conventions of the political parties would be an outrage that we do not believe the great Republican party can afford to stand for. We fought against autocracy in the Old World. The gentlemen who are trying to put over this 'hand-picked' idea will be brought to sudden realization that they cannot establish a plenary democracy in the very Capital of the United States."

By unanimous vote, Sgt. Harvey M. Knight, a veteran of the war with Spain and the Philippines insurrection, was elected president of the association. George W. Horton, veteran of the Indian wars, recording secretary; Henry Weir, world war veteran, corresponding secretary; and William Kohz, Spanish war veteran, treasurer.

The campaign executive committee will be composed of officers, sailors and Marines of the civil, Spanish, Indian and world wars.

The object of the organization was stated to be:

Presidential election by the President of the United States, and Robert I. Miller, judge advocate of President's Own Garrison, Army and Navy Union, U. S. A., to insure a full and fair election of delegates and alternates to the Republican nominating convention, and to use our best efforts to restore the voting right to the disfranchised residents of the District."

A political rally will be held after the holidays in a downtown hall. A letter was read from Attorney Miller promising to deliver an address.

Washington Chapter, Lay Alumni of Catholic University, will have a special meeting at 601 E street northwest, at 8 o'clock tonight.

Blue Triangle Players will entertain thirty boys and girls from the Emergency Home for Children at 1 o'clock this afternoon, at Twentieth and B streets northwest.

N. Bryllion Fagin, president of the Writers' League, will speak on "The Problem of Our Periodical Literature," at 8 o'clock tomorrow night in the National School of Social Research, 1719 H street northwest.

Dickens' "Christmas Carol" and a play, "St. George and the Dragon," will be given tonight at 8 o'clock in Liberty Hall.

"Ye Olde English Yuletide" will be given by the dramatic group of Blue Triangle recreation center at 7:30 tomorrow night.

The Triangle Carols, in old English costume, Christmas eve will be sung at Naval Hospital, the Methodist Home, the Home for Incapacitated, the Louise Home, Eagle Hall and the Central Y. M. C. A.

Blue Triangle Rest and Information House, North Capitol and streets northwest, will keep open house Christmas day from 4 to 7 p. m. Young people are invited.

The Federation Dramatic Clubs of Washington will present four one-act plays tomorrow night at 8:15 o'clock in Central High School. Players of the Postoffice Department will give "The Acid Test," Interior Department players, "The Man in the Saddle," George Washington University players, "Uncle's Will," and the Washington players, "His Sweethearts."

Modern "Old Lady Who Lived in a Shoe" Refuses To Worry About Problem Of Christmas Gifts for Record Family.

In a comfortable little home on Benning road northeast—1811 I-2, to be exact—lives Mrs. May Elizabeth Beall, mother of ten, grandmother of fifty-seven, great-grandmother of twenty-nine and great-great-grandmother of a year-old boy, which makes a total of ninety-six.

"I'm just going to let them do their own thing," was her response. "All of my children are grown and married. It's about time they started filling stockings for themselves."

Mrs. Beall really is a wonderful old lady. She is 73 years old, and yet is quite competent to keep her house tidy. "My eyes ain't what they used to be," Mrs. Beall said. "I can't see much at night, but in the day I'm all right."

Mrs. Beall was born in Marlboro, Md., and came to Washington thirty-five years ago. She remembers the civil war very well, and distinctly recalls the period which followed the conflict which she compares to the present unrest.

Mrs. Beall loves to tell of Col. Ninian Beall, founder of the Beall family, and of Georgetown.

Col. Beall was famous for his dealings with the Indians prior to the Revolutionary war. In return for his services he was granted, by royal decree, a large section of land, covering 2,000 acres. He named the community after the monarch who issued the grant.

Mrs. Beall, like the old woman who lived in a shoe, is fairly bewildered by her flock of grandchildren. She never counts her large family, but she knows that all of her daughters were good looking and consequently married young. She had five girls and five boys.

She was married when I was 16, and my girls were all married before 20. The boys waited, some of them until they were nearly 30, because they realized the responsibility that marriage brings."

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Ohio Girls' Club will dance in the recreation hall of the government hotels tomorrow night.

NEW U.S. STAMPS SOON ON SALE

1920 Issue of War Savings Securities Ready on January 1.

The Treasury will begin distribution today of circulars announcing the issue of the 1920 War Savings securities, which will be on sale by the first of the year at postoffices and other agencies, consisting principally of incorporated banks and trust companies.

From the beginning of the movement in December, 1917, up to December 15, 1919, the Treasury received from the sale of the War Savings securities a cash total of \$1,124,480,731.

The 1920 securities consist of the 25-cent Thrift Stamp which bears no interest and is used to evidence payments on account of War Savings Stamps and certificates, the \$5 War Savings Stamp and the registered Treasury Savings Certificates in denominations of \$100 and a \$100 maturity value.

The issue price of the War Savings Stamp is \$1.12 in January and increases \$1.24 a month to \$1.25 in December. The issue price of the \$100 certificate is \$12.40 in January and increases at the rate of 20 cents a month to \$13.00 in December. The \$100 certificate will be sold for \$24 in January and the price increases at the rate of \$2 a month to \$36 in December.

Mr. Devereux was born in Boston in 1851. During the civil war he was in charge of military railroads in and about the Capital. At the close of the war he made his home in Washington. He retired from business twenty years ago.

He is survived by his widow, two sons, Frederick L., of Omaha, Neb., and Frank B., of this city, and two daughters, Mrs. D. E. Chester and Miss Mary C. Devereux, of this city.

Burns Fatal to Woman. Carrie E. Wallace, 35 years old, 61 Seaton street northeast, died at a hospital last night from burns suffered when her clothing caught fire December 18. Friends say the waitress was putting kerosene on the fire.

A SLIPPERY CUSTOMER. Ever Pasha, Turkish minister of war from 1914 to 1915 and a leader of the Young Turk movement, has been crowned king of Kurdistan, the Turkish region lying between Mesopotamia and Persia. Ever, who is accused of being the British of being responsible for Turkey's entering the war, fled to Berlin in disguise after the armistice, was arrested and then escaped to Transcaucasia. He has been condemned to death by a Turkish court-martial, but has so far eluded his pursuers.

MAIL AND TRADERS SAIL TO GERMANY. New York, Dec. 21.—The first American liner to sail for Germany since August, 1914, today is moving its way eastward across the Atlantic. Hamburg-bound.

The Manchuria, flying a German mail flag at her foremast head, sailed from New York yesterday. The liner carries 1,500 bags of mail, the largest mail consignment ever taken from New York on a single vessel.

Twenty-five American business men and women were first class passengers. They represented American firms seeking to re-establish relations with Germany business interests. The passport were used by the Swiss Ministry at Washington to go through Germany to Switzerland, as the United States is still officially at war with Germany.

The crew of the Manchuria is American. Her sister ship, the Mongolia, will sail for Hamburg January 7. The Mongolia carries 40,000 cargo of foodstuffs. It included frozen pig, fowls, livers, condensed milk, oil, cake, green hides, copper, and 2,500 tons of grain.

THE GIRL FROM OUTSIDE. A strikingly interesting point developed by Attorney O'Shea in cross-examining police officials is that no attempt ever was made to incriminate the star witness.

Where was Li after 7 o'clock the night the three Chinese were murdered? About 7 o'clock that night, Li testified he went to the mission house to see one of the mission officials, was met at the door by Wan and told by the latter the officials were out. Li said he then left. According to Li's testimony, Wan was the last man seen alive in the house until the tragedy was discovered.

Li has never been asked to account for his whereabouts after 7 o'clock that night, although he has volunteered the information that he went home and studied. The police have admitted no effort was made to investigate his statement. His fingerprints were never taken. No alibi has been proved for Li on the night of the murder.

Discovered Victims' Bodies. It was Li who discovered the next day that the murders had been committed. He declares he returned to the mission house that evening, saw bodies of Smith, the mother, and papers and a bundle of laundry in the vestibule and concluded something was wrong. Thereupon he climbed through a window to investigate.

This gives rise to the question: Did Li suspect what had happened at the time he entered to investigate, and if so did he have reason beforehand to believe such a thing might happen? Another interesting question which might be put to Li is: Why did he not notify the police when he suspected something was wrong within the mission house instead of making the initiative and investigating on his own hook?

Wield for Conjecture. Even though there was evidence in the vestibule that none of the mission house officials had been to the door for a day or two, why did Li conclude that something dire had occurred within? The three officials might have left the place together on an out-of-town trip, for all Li could have known, according to his testimony.

And it would have taken considerable imagination to believe all three had been murdered, unless one had some intimation beforehand that such a crime was likely.

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UNDERFIRE IN WAN TRIAL

Defense Tries to Pin Suspicion on Star Witness in Triple Murder Case.

With indications of several prospective lively developments, the trial of Ziang Sun Wan, accused of the murder of three officials of the Chinese Educational Mission January 29 last, will be resumed at 10 o'clock this morning in Judge Gould's court, Criminal Division No. 1. The second week of the trial will begin today.

Detective Inspector Clifford L. Grant will resume the witness stand for the government when court opens and if the defense concludes its cross-examination before the day is out, Maj. Raymond Pullman, superintendent of police, probably will be called to testify.

Li Kang Li Under Fire. An outstanding feature of the trial to date is the attempt of Attorney James A. O'Shea, chief counsel for the defense, to shift suspicion from the man on trial to Li Kang Li, star witness for the government, who guided the police on Wan's trail the day following the crime and whose testimony has had the effect of fastening suspicion on Wan.

On the other hand, Li's testimony has revealed him to have been the most active individual in the case before and after the crime. An analysis of evidence, Wan was the last man seen alive in the house until the tragedy was discovered.

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